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Restriction Requirement

The claims were restricted into three groups, Group I, claims 12-18, 28-36, 45-55 and 59-65, directed to a drug delivery device comprising an active agent; Group II, claims 19-25, 37-44, 56-58 and 66-69, directed to methods of reducing an antibiotic concentration in the colon; and Group III, claims 26-27, directed to a method of preparing a drug delivery device.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 12-18, 28-36, 45-55 and 59-65, without traverse, for further prosecution on the merits. Claims 19-27, 37-44, 56-58 and 66-69 have been withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is believed that the claims are currently in condition for Examination on the merits. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if he has any questions regarding the above.

Respectfully submitted,



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